Mountain Weather Forecast

Southwest Highlands

Including Ben Nevis, Glen Coe and the rest of Lochaber, Argyll including the Isles, Loch Lomond, Trossachs and Arran
Forecast valid from 00:00 on Thursday 02 Nov 2023 until 23:59 on Friday 03 Nov 2023

Forecast Issued on Wednesday 01 Nov 2023 at 16:56 by Met Office Aberdeen

Confidence: High for a changeable, cold, windy spell of weather developing later Thursday, continuing into Friday. High confidence for a drier, brighter weekend and for lighter winds Saturday, picking up again on Sunday. Lower confidence on shower details.

Headline for Thursday 02 Nov 2023: Dry, bright morning. Rain mainly east of area in afternoon. Strengthening winds. Feeling bitterly cold.

Mountain weather hazards on Thursday 02 Nov 2023

Blizzards No Likelihood	**Heavy persistent snow** No Likelihood	**Storm force winds** No Likelihood
Gales No Likelihood	**Severe chill effect** High Likelihood	**Poor visibility** Medium Likelihood
Thunderstorms No Likelihood	**Heavy persistent rain** No Likelihood	**Strong sunlight** No Likelihood

Weather and chance of precipitation at 800m							
Time							
00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00
Partly cloudy (night)	Partly cloudy (night)	Partly cloudy (night)	Sunny intervals	Cloudy	Light rain	Light rain	Light rain
Precipitation probability							
20%	10%	10%	20%	20%	40%	50%	50%

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Weather: Dry overnight and on Thursday morning with clear then sunny spells. Cloudier afternoon and evening with rain extending to eastern areas such as the Trossachs. Staying dry, brighter over Glencoe, Mull and Lochaber.

Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 800m: 70% reducing 40% in east during afternoon.

Low Cloud and visibility: Good visibility although misty in some of the glens at first. Occasional cloud cover above about 600 to 700m. Visibility becoming poor over Trossachs during afternoon as rain edges in with more extensive cloud cover.

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Height (m)	Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph)					Wind Direction (blowing from)			
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1300	31/37 S	22/27 SE	21/25 SE	20/25 E	29/36 NE	34/43 NE	38/48 NE	42/52 NE	40/50 NE
900	23/29 S	17/21 SE	19/25 SE	20/29 E	18/25 NE	22/29 NE	23/31 NE	26/36 NE	25/35 NE
600	30/36 S	16/19 S	11/14 SE	16/20 NE	20/25 NE	25/32 NE	28/36 NE	31/40 NE	30/39 NE
300	15/24 S	11/17 SE	6/9 N	7/10 NE	11/17 NE	14/22 N	12/19 NE	15/24 N	12/20 N
Glen	8/20 S	5/10 SE	4/10 NE	7/17 NE	8/18 NE	9/20 NE	8/20 N	11/24 N	12/25 N

Height (m)	Temperature / Feels Like (°C)								
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1300	-1/-9	-2/-9	-1/-8	-1/-8	-1/-9	-0/-9	0/-8	0/-8	0/-8
900	1/-5	0/-6	-0/-6	1/-6	1/-4	2/-4	3/-4	3/-4	3/-4
600	5/-2	4/0	4/0	3/-2	4/-2	4/-2	5/-1	5/-2	5/-2
300	6/2	6/2	5/3	4/2	6/2	6/2	6/3	6/3	6/3
Glen	8/5	6/4	4/2	6/3	8/5	8/6	8/6	9/6	8/6
Freezing Level*	1100m	900m	1000m	1000m	1200m	1400m	1400m	1400m	1400m

**Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.*

Met Office Aberdeen Meteorologist's View
Note strengthening wind and feeling bitterly cold over higher ridges and summits.

Forecast for Friday 03 Nov 2023
Weather: Mainly cloudy with showery rain in the morning, dying out in the afternoon with sunny spells developing.

Maximum wind: Strong northeast winds, average speeds of 25 to 30mph with gusts 40mph on the tops.

Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 800m: 40% improving 70% in afternoon.

Low Cloud and visibility: Generally good visibility with fairly extensive cloud cover above 700 to 800m, becoming more broken in the afternoon. Brief reductions to poor visibility in showery rain with clouds lower down the hills.

Temperature: **Glens:** Plus 4 Celsius rising to 9 Celsius.
At 800m: Plus 4 Celsius.
Freezing level: 1400m.

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